

Washington, DC - U.S. Congressman Ciro D. Rodriguez (TX-23) announced \$1.1 million in Appropriations Subcommittee-approved funding for the San Antonio Police Department. Mayor Julián Castro, City Manager Sheryl Sculley and Police Chief William McManus joined Rodriguez on the steps of City Hall in San Antonio at a news conference Friday to make the announcement.

The funding request, made jointly with Congressman Charlie Gonzalez (TX-20) and Congressman Lamar Smith (TX-21), was approved Thursday by the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies. It must now go to the House for a final vote.

"This funding request is a giant stride toward equipping local law enforcement agencies with the tools they need to protect the community," Congressman Rodriguez said. "By helping to fund new technology, I am proud to support those who put their lives on the line to protect and serve."

Congressman Gonzalez said "The funding in this bill provides the San Antonio Police Department with additional resources to better communicate and respond to citizens in an emergency situation. As this bill advances through the House and onto the Senate, I will continue to advocate for these funds that benefit the people of San Antonio and ensure our first responders are well equipped."

Congressman Lamar Smith added: "As a concerned resident of San Antonio and the Ranking Member of the House Judiciary Committee, supporting the men and women of the law enforcement community is one of my highest priorities. This federal funding will increase officer safety and provide high quality documentation and evidence of police activity."

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